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- (10) The memorandum—
- (A) Must document significant deviations from the prenegotiation profit objective:
- (B) Should include the DD Form 1547, Record of Weighted Guidelines Application (see subpart 215.9), if used, with supporting rationale; and
- (C) Must document the rationale for not using the weighted guidelines method when its use is required by 215.9.

215.809 Forward pricing rate agreements.

- (e)(i) Use forward pricing rate agreement (FPRA) rates when such rates are available, unless waived on a case-by-case basis by the head of the contracting activity.
- (ii) Advise the ACO of each case waived.
- (iii) Contact the ACO for questions on FPRAs or recommended rates.

215.810 Should-cost review.

215.810-2 Program should-cost review.

(b) DoD contracting activities should consider performing a program should-cost review before award of a definitive major systems contract exceeding \$100 million.

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215.810-3 Overhead should-cost review.

- (a) Contact the DCMC/DLA Overhead Center, Fort Belvoir, VA 22060–6221, at (703) 767–3387, for questions on overhead should-cost analysis.
- (b)(i) The Defense Contract Management Command/Defense Logistics Agency (DCMC/DLA), or the military department responsible for performing contract administration functions (e.g., Navy SUPSHIP), should consider, based on risk assessment, performing an overhead should-cost review of a contractor business unit (as defined in FAR 31.001) when all of the following conditions exist:
- (A) Projected annual sales to DoD exceed \$1 billion;
- (B) Projected DoD versus total business exceeds 30 percent;
- (C) Level of sole-source DoD contracts is high;

- (D) Significant volume of proposal activity is anticipated;
- (E) Production or development of a major weapon system or program is anticipated; and
- (F) Contractor cost control/reduction initiatives appear inadequate.
- (ii) The head of the contracting activity may request an overhead should-cost review for a business unit which does not meet the criteria in paragraph (b)(i) of this subsection.
- (iii) Overhead should-cost reviews are labor intensive. These reviews generally involve participation by the contracting, contract administration, and contract audit elements. The extent of availability of military department, contract administration, and contract audit resources to support DCMC/DLA-led teams should be considered when determining whether a review will be conducted. Overhead should-cost reviews generally shall not be conducted at a contractor business segment more frequently than every three years.

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215.811 Estimating systems.

215.811-70 Disclosure, maintenance, and review requirements.

- (a) Definitions. (1) Adequate estimating system means an estimating system that—
- (i) Is established, maintained, reliable, and consistently applied; and
- (ii) Produces verifiable, supportable, and documented cost estimates.
- (2) *Contractor* means a business unit as defined in FAR 31.001.
- (3) Estimating system is as defined in the clause at 252.215-7002 Cost Estimating System Requirements.
- (4) Significant estimating system deficiency means a shortcoming in the estimating system which is likely to consistently result in proposal estimates for total cost or a major cost element(s) which do not provide an acceptable basis for negotiation of fair and reasonable prices.
- (b) Applicability. (1) DoD policy is that all contractors have estimating systems that—
 - (i) Are adequate;
- (ii) Consistently produce well supported proposals that are acceptable as